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In RE application of

K. HOSHINO et al.

Serial No.: 09/940,517

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

| Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. |
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| A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. |

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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